



State Water Resources Control Board



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REVISED - CHANGE OF HEARING START TIME

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO SOURCES OF DRINKING WATER POLICY TO ESTABLISH SITE-SPECIFIC EXCEPTION FOR OLD ALAMO CREEK

January 18, 2006, 9:00 a.m.
State Water Resources Control Board
Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor
Joe Serna, Jr./Cal/EPA Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) has changed the starting time from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. for the public hearing to seek comments on a proposed revision to the Sources of Drinking Water Policy (Resolution No. 88-63) to establish a site-specific exception for Old Alamo Creek. The hearing date, January 18, 2006, remains the same.

BACKGROUND

The State Water Board proposes to revise Resolution No. 88-63, the Sources of Drinking Water Policy (Policy), to establish a site-specific exception from the Policy for Old Alamo Creek. In 2002, the State Water Board reviewed waste discharge requirements for Vacaville's Easterly Wastewater Treatment Plant, which discharges to Old Alamo Creek. The State Water Board found that domestic and municipal water supply (MUN) is neither an existing use nor a likely future use for the creek. The State Water Board directed the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) to consider dedesignating MUN as a beneficial use for the creek. The State Water Board stated that it would consider revising the Policy to establish a site-specific exception from the Policy for the creek if the Central Valley Water Board dedesignated the MUN use. In 2005, the Central Valley Water Board amended its water quality control plan (basin plan) to dedesignate MUN for Old Alamo Creek.

On January 18, 2006, the State Water Board will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on whether the Policy should be revised to establish a site-specific exception for Old Alamo Creek. On the same date, the State Water Board will receive comments on whether the State Water Board

should approve the Central Valley Water Board's Basin Plan amendment. The State Water Board may choose to take action at a future board meeting.

SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

Interested persons may submit written comments and are strongly encouraged to do so well in advance of the hearing. In order for comments to be adequately considered, persons wishing to make comments or recommendations on the proposed revisions to the Policy should submit written comments no later than 5:00 p.m., on December 30, 2005. Written comments should be limited, and will only be entertained to the extent they relate, to the specific revisions to the Policy under consideration, i.e., the site-specific exception for Old Alamo Creek.

The State Water Board will not entertain comments on any other aspects of the Policy at this hearing. Written comments on the proposed policy should be submitted to:

Selica Potter, Acting Clerk to the Board, either by email at spotter@waterboards.ca.gov; fax (916) 341-5620; or addressed to State Water Board, P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, California, 95812-0100. Please also indicate in the subject line, "Comment Letter – Site-specific exception for Old Alamo Creek".

Oral presentations during the hearing should consist of a brief summary of the interested person's written comments. Written comments without an oral synopsis will have the same weight as comments submitted in writing and summarized orally at the hearing. Time limitations may be imposed at the discretion of the Chair. Persons with similar views are encouraged to make joint presentations.

Beginning on November 1, 2005, you may access and download essential documents regarding this proposed action at: <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov>.

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Valid picture identification may be required due to the security level. Please allow up to 15 minutes for receiving clearance to proceed to the Coastal Hearing Room.

For further information, contact Glenda Marsh at 916-341-5558 or gmarsh@waterboards.ca.gov, or Senior Staff Counsel Steven Blum at 916-341-5177 or sblum@waterboards.ca.gov.



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December 21, 2005

Date

